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5. (Amended) The method of [any of claims] claim 2 [to 4], wherein the inactivating is conducted at a temperature in a range of about 40°C to about 100°C.

6. (Amended) The method of [any of claims] claim 2 [to 5], wherein the purifying is conducted by physical means.

7. (Amended) The method of [any of claims] claim 2 [to 6], wherein the virus belonging to a group of Japanese encephalitis viruses is a Beijing strain or a ThCMAr67/93 strain of Japanese encephalitis virus.

In claim 9, line 2 thereof, delete "or 8".

In claim 10, line 4 thereof, change "8" to --1--.

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--11. The inactivated virus particle of claim 1, wherein said culture of cells is inactivated and purified.

12. The inactivated virus particle of claim 1, wherein said culture of cells is inactivated and then purified.

13. The inactivated virus particle of claim 11, wherein said cells are inactivated at a temperature in a range of about 40°C to about 100°C.

14. The inactivated virus particle of claim 11, wherein the cells are purified by physical means.

15. The inactivated virus particle of claim 1, wherein said culture of cells is a culture of Vero cells.

16. The inactivated virus particle of claim 1, wherein the virus belonging to a group of Japanese encephalitis viruses is a